GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2971
ANSWERED ON:15.03.2016
Suicide Cases
Meena Shri Harish Chandra

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

a) the total number of suicide cases reported in the country during each of the last three years and the current year male, female, Urban-Rural, SC/ST and State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any study to identify the reasons behind such cases;

(c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Union and State Governments to prevent such cases?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) : As per the data furnished by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), the State/UT wise and gender wise total number of persons who have committed suicides during year 2012-2014 is enclosed at Annexure-I. Data for urban −rural is not maintained separately. Data for SC/ST for year 2014 is enclosed at Annexure-II. Previous year suicide data for SC/ST is not available as NCRB started collecting it from year 2014.
...2/-

(b) to (c): No study has been conducted by this Ministry. However, major causes of suicide, as per data available for 2014 as at Annexure-III are related to family problems, illness, drug abuse and bankruptcy etc.

(d) 'Public Health' and 'Public Order' are the State subjects. However, the Government of India attaches highest importance in the matter and has approved implementation of the District Mental Health Programme in some of the districts of the country with added components of suicide prevention services, work place stress management, life skills training and counseling in schools and colleges. Further, Public Order" and "Police" being State subjects as per the provisions of the Constitution of India, the responsibilities of maintaining law and order, registration and prosecution of crimes rest primarily with the respective State Governments/Union Territory Administrations.
*****